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1. The following details on the organization of the Büro für Wirtschaftsfragen beim Ministerpräsidenten (B.f.W.) are submitted as supplementary to the information disseminated in [REDACTED]

a. Deputy to Willi Stoph is (fnu) Tollmann. Under him is ranged the Secretariat, with (fnu) Lamberz (Head of Personnel), Frl. (fnu) Kranich, Frl. (fnu) Granthe, Frl. (fnu) Friedrich, (fnu) Schwabe, and (fnu) Steeser.

b. H/Abt. I - headed by (fnu) Kramer. There are two Abteilungen: Finance and House

H/Abt. II - headed by (fnu) Räscher.

Abt. 1 - Plans and Organization - not yet staffed
Abt. 2 - Signals - headed by (fnu) Lebrecht
Abt. 3 - Vehicles - headed by Robert Hoffmann
Abt. 4 - Supply Procurement - not yet staffed
Abt. 5 - Clothing - not yet staffed

H/Abt. III - headed by (fnu) Müller, formerly with the Planning Commission.* The Hauptabteilung deals with HVL affairs.

Abt. 1 - headed by (fnu) Eiseler (formerly HVL)
Abt. 2 - headed by (fnu) Reinhardt (formerly HVL)
Abt. 3 - headed by (fnu) Zibell (previous position not known)*
Abt. 4 - headed by (fnu) Körsten (returned from civilian position in USSR)
Abt. 5 - headed by (fnu) Senkbeil (previous position not known)

H/Abt. IV - headed by (fnu) Möller, formerly with the Engelbrechtwerft, Berlin-Köpenick. The Hauptabteilung deals with HVS matters. Apparently there are three sections, headed by (fnu) Tempke, (fnu) Jørgensen, and (fnu) Schaeffer.

2. About three weeks ago Willi Stoph called a meeting of all heads of departments and told them that the present purpose of the Büro für Wirtschaftsfragen was to attend to all developmental needs of the various branches of the police, but

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that within three months it would take over all of the procurement for all branches of the police. Orders would be submitted by the B.f.W. through the ministries to the industries concerned, which would in turn deliver the finished goods to the B.f.W., not to the police.

3. Confusion and mistrust exist between the Büro and the ministries, since no scheme of priorities seems to have been worked out so far. Because the B.f.W.'s title ends with the words "beim Ministerpräsidenten", the Büro feels, and the ministries fear, that it should have priority over the demands of other government departments.
4. How the requirements of the B.f.W. are to be met financially is not yet clear, nor is there as yet any indication as to at what stage in the transactions the SCC considers it ought to be consulted or to intervene.
5. The officials of the Büro all receive their pay from H/Abt. I of the new agency. They are now considered civilians, and not on detached service from the Police.
6. Each official of the B.f.W. has been issued a new yellow pass, signed by Stoph, certifying that he is employed by the B.f.W. This pass permits entry into any ministry or industrial plant.

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Comment: Note the discrepancy between this statement and the remarks about this person in [REDACTED]

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